EVOLUTION OF FHWA FULL OVERSIGHT

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PROGRESSION OF FULL OVERSIGHT

- ISTEA (1991) and TEA-21(1998) altered FHWA role from full project oversight and approval of every project or activity funded with FHWA funds to program oversight and some targeted project level approval.
- MAP-21(2012) moves us toward a performance-based program which will increase the transparency and accountability of the federal highway program.

TERMINOLOGY

Certification Acceptance

Exemption Agreement

Partnership Agreement

CURRENT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

- All major projects as defined by FHWA's major project criteria (cost ≥ \$500 million)
- All TIGER grants
- Controversial and Congressional interest Projects
- Demonstration (demo) and pilot projects
- Interstate projects:
 - With design exceptions to the 13 controlling criteria
 - For new or modified access points
 - For major reconstruction and widening
- Projects utilizing innovative contracting methods, such as design build
- Special Experimental Projects (SEP):
 - Projects requiring SEP-14 approval for alternative contracting methods
 - Projects requiring SEP-15 approval for public-private partnerships
- Projects with an EIS
- Unusually complex or controversial projects
- Major unique and/or unusual structures
- A priority focus for projects on the NHS
- A desire to have a mix in project size and scope

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PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

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